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JULIAN BYRD

"End of free land" is the heading on an article from Scribner published on the first page in this issue in which the public land commissioner is quoted as saying that public lands which now remain are chiefly arid in character. This may be so to a certain extent but not altogether. It merely shows that the east is yet quite ignorant of the west and conditions. We yet have millions of acres of land to homestead where profitable crops may be raised by proper cultivation without irrigation. This land is semi-arid. We also have in some portions of the west great bodies of arid land where irrigation is possible, yet these eastern people, although they bewail the condition of no land for the landless, will not allow it to be accomplished. On our first page is also an article stating that the east will oppose the proposed bond issue to make the reclamation of vast areas possible. The man who takes advantage of the land is the one who must pay for this bond issue, yet the East will fight it.

In Idaho and Oregon within the last two years, 10 conventions and representative gatherings have met to consider the construction of railroads by districts, the money for construction to be secured by bonding the land benefited. Railroads make land more valuable. They add from \$20 to \$500 an acre to agricultural land, especially in the state of Oregon, where they make fruit shipments possible. In California irrigation canals costing many millions have been constructed in this manner. The construction of railroads by bonding the lands benefited and keeping the enormous values thus created in the hands of the people owning the land, instead of in the hands of Wall street speculators, may seem a little startling, but if the people are willing to let any railroadless district try it, perhaps it may be a way out of paying dividends on watered stock or doing without transportation. It is up to the people. — Ex.

If you are a kicker and see the shadow of failure in everything that is proposed to help the town, for heaven's sake go into some secluded canyon and kick your own shadow on the claybank, and give the men who are working to build up the town a chance. One long faced, hollowed eyed, whining, gaping, chronic kicker can do more to keep away business and capital from a town than all the drouths, short crops, cinch bugs, cyclones and blizzards combined. — Dufur Dispatch.

Twelve hogs recently disposed of to a local butcher brought the rancher over \$250. These porkers had likely been raised upon alfalfa and skimmed milk with a little grain feeding to top them off. Does it pay to raise hogs in Harney county? There is no over production of hogs in the local market and farmers should raise more of them. The same may be said of dairy products and poultry.

GIVE A GRAND BALL.

The ladies of Sylvia R. D. Lodge, No. 43, I. O. O. F., are quite proud of the Odd Fellow building now nearing completion and are determined to have some hand in the work, therefore they desire to help furnish the new lodge room. They have planned to give a grand ball in the largest store room as soon as it is completed, the funds from this ball to be added to that now on hand for furniture. They may also serve supper if the banquet room is completed in time.

Some of the local musicians have volunteered their services to assist in furnishing the music for the occasion. It is possible the ball will be given about Thanksgiving.

MAY UTILIZE GAS.

In discussing the commercial value of the natural gas discovered near the lakes with a member of the Harney Valley Oil & Gas Co. the other day, The Times Herald learned that it is quite likely the company will do something with it in the near future. It seems there isn't sufficient

capital yet interested to put in proper machinery to go any depth for oil, but it has funds with which to put the enormous flow of gas in commercial shape, therefore there is no reason for waiting, especially as there is a demand for the gas.

Few of us seem to realize the real value of this gas flow to the development of the country. It means, when realized, the easy reclamation of vast bodies of semi-arid land in this valley by means of pumping plants. This is an important factor that should demand first attention. When this gas is put in shape for use we shall see a vast difference in things.

ANOTHER BIG FIRE.

The Buena Vista swamp, on the Blitzen between the Narrows and P-Ranch has been on fire for several days and could be plainly seen from Burns at night. It has swept over considerable territory but has done but little damage other than destroy a large amount of pasture and one stack of hay. In seems this fire started by accident the same as the one last week that destroyed hay for the Hanley company near Burns.

This fire is likely to burn for an indefinite time as the Buena Vista swamp is a made soil for a great depth and is something of the nature of a peat bog. When once ignited it is very hard to extinguish and will likely burn until heavy rains come.

The Buena Vista is a Hanley company ranch and belongs with the French-Glen holdings.

DIXIE IS NOW THE TERMINUS.

General Superintendent Grant Geddes of the Sumpter Valley railroad while here last week stated that the extension of the Sumpter Valley railroad would be complete to Huckleberry flat by the middle of this week and at that time the company would handle all traffic both freight and passengers to that point. The name of the new station has been changed from Huckleberry Flat to Dixie. This was done to avoid confusion, as there is another station on the line by the same name. The railroad company are entitled to high compliment for the early completion of the road and they are entitled to all reasonable encouragement to complete the extension on into the valley. — Blue Mt. Eagle.

The Illimitable Wheat Fields.

It is through wheat, through a monomania of wheat, that the New Line runs from the Rockies back to Winnipeg, a thousand miles.

It is for wheat that the Grand Trunk Pacific, beginning at a point east of Winnipeg on the Government section of the New Line, has built a branch southward to Canada's Lake Superior port.

It is for wheat that at that port, at Fort William and Port Arthur, the dominating objects in the landscape are circular bins, wheat wells, which have an immediately prospective capacity of 25,000,000 bushels.

It is for wheat, overflowing even such a prospect, that the Grand Trunk Pacific, at Fort William, beyond the Mission River, has driven 11,000 piles through soft soil to rock-bottom, has covered their tops with a solid concrete mattress three feet thick, and on that mattress, is rearing concrete cylinders, twenty-four feet in diameter, to a height of ninety-five feet, seventy of them, in seven rows of ten each, touching each other, making fifty-four interspaces, making a capacity of 2,500,000 bushels, making one unit.

Four such units will make the storage part of one elevator. Four such elevators will complete the plan, a 40,000,000-bushel plan.

It is for wheat that more ships are needed every year to travel from Port Arthur and Fort William down to the ports on the lower Great Lakes. — Wm. Hard in the November Everybody's.

WILL ARRIVE EARLY.

In the course of a few days the mail will arrive in Canyon early in the evening. Trains will be running to Dixie this week and the stage will have the haul shortened to such an extent that the mail will arrive in time to make it available for evening reading. The train will arrive at Dixie about the same time that it now arrives at Austin and it will be possible for the stage to arrive in Prairie City in two hours or somewhere about three o'clock and it is likely that the

mail will arrive here between seven and eight o'clock. Manager Woldenberg of the stage line has not made his new schedule but it is certain that the mail will arrive much earlier now since the railroad has been built to Dixie. — Blue Mt. Eagle.

R. D. Stahl started Monday for John Day for a load of fruit and potatoes. His wife accompanied him.

The threshers have come and gone and our farmers are glad to have their grain under shelter.

Some of our sportsmen have been enjoying the good duck shooting near the lakes. Of course they didn't go on the reserve.

Mrs. Baker and her daughter Miss Zelma, assisted Robt. Settemy in cooking for the threshers at his place.

The committee have announced a dance at the Sunset Valley school house on the night of Friday, November 5. Good music and a good time guaranteed. Everybody come and bring your basket.

N. Henney has been hauling hay from near Lawen.

Charley Moore and family passed through the valley Saturday on their way to Sage Hen where they will make their residence.

Some of our farmers who have threshed are like the Wright's Point man who boasted of his 40 bushel an acre crop. After threshing he had 150 bushels from 60 acres and he said: "Well I didn't get 40 bushels an acre but I got a d— sight more than a bushel."

Mr. Creasman and son from the Island took a bunch of cattle through the valley Sunday to their ranch near the lake.

LOCAL OVERFLOW.

Job printing—The Times-Herald. Claude Brown is preparing to erect a new residence on his lots in Brown's addition.

P. A. Hyde, the stone mason, is doing some repair work at the county jail. He has moved the steel cages and will put in a new concrete floor.

Dr. Griffith was called to Sunset the other day to see Thos. Dawson who was suffering from a severe attack of grip. Mr. Dawson is quite sick.

A fire alarm was turned in about 4:30 yesterday evening but before the engines could be brought on the scene it had been put out. Some ashes in which there were live coals had been thrown against a small outbuilding which caught on fire at the Roy McGee residence one block east of the Red Front barn.

Mat Lowery, the man who shot a woman here a few weeks ago and was indicted by the grand jury, yesterday secured bail and was let out of jail. His case was carried over to spring term of circuit court and his bail fixed at \$1000. His brother put up cash bail. This leaves our county jail without an occupant again.

Hon. C. W. Parrish started to Isee Wednesday, but one of his horses was sick and fell before he had gone far. The animal fell on the tongue of his rig breaking it. With the assistance of Peter Clemens, who had just passed him, Mr. Parrish got the team unhitched and he then came back. The sick animal was later brought back to the barn where it was cared for.

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Job printing—The Times-Herald.

H. C. Levens and wife arrived home yesterday from a month's visit to Boise and other outside points. They had a very enjoyable time while out, attending the fair at Boise and also at Caldwell. Mr. Levens purchased seven head of young Red Poll cows which are now enroute in. He bought the animals from a prize herd at the Boise fair and will raise pure bred stock, he already having a fine bull to head the herd.

Archie McGowan and associates who own the Harney County Abstract Books are reincorporating a strong company. They are putting two first class abstractors to work and by the first of the year will have the books all brought up to date and modern in every particular. No means will be spared to make this abstract business as complete and thorough as any in Eastern Oregon. A competent and experienced title man will have charge of the books and will soon be ready to handle all business in that line.

A party of Baker City men were hunting deer at Snow Mountain this week. One of the party got lost a few days ago and his companions searched for him for three or four days and finally gave out of provisions and had to come out to settlement. They 'phoned to Burns asking if their lost companion had come out, but nothing was known of him. He came to Ben Campbell's place on Emigrant Thursday, however, in an almost demented condition from hunger. No names were learned.

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EXECUTRIX NOTICE.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Harney County. In the matter of the Estate of Thomas Wingfield, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Martha A. Wingfield, the Executrix of the last Will and Testament of Thomas Wingfield, deceased, has rendered an account for settlement, and filed in said court, her final account; and that Monday the 8th day of November 1909 at ten o'clock A. M., at the court house in Burns, Harney County, State of Oregon, has been duly appointed by the said court for the settlement of said account, at which time and place any person interested in said estate may appear and file exceptions or objections thereto.

Dated this first publication October 9, 1909.

MARTHA A. WINGFIELD, Executrix.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

In the matter of the Estate of Peter Andrien, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned executor of the Estate of Peter Andrien, deceased, has filed his final account in said estate and the Hon. J. F. Reeder, Judge of the County Court for Harney County, Oregon, has set Monday, the 4th day of October, 1909, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., at his office in Burns, Harney County, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections to said account. Any and all persons objecting to said account are hereby notified to appear at said time and place.

Dated at Burns, Oregon, Sept. 3, 1909.

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